

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

1. I attended the 16 December Session of the Council's study group on Communist China's Military Doctrine and Capabilities, 58 East 68th Street, New York, N. Y. This was the third sitting (the first I have attended) on a book being written by Gen. Samuel B. Griffith (USMC, Ret.)

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3. The draft text is not very good. Though purporting to be a study of Communist Chinese capabilities, the first four chapters of his book (those under review at our Session) are more a history of the Korean war -- and in particular a USMC view of Gens. MacArthur and Almond. The text sparkles at times, and will contribute certain new insights into North Korean and Chinese Communist prosecution of the war. In the main, however, I would judge the end result of the book to be pretty much a jumble of subjects and a rehash of already published studies.

4. Gen. Griffith reports that he hopes to visit CIA again in mid-January.

5. The next Session of the study group will be held
23 March 1965.

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